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AMENDMENT OF THE SPECIFICATION

Applicant respectfully requests that the following paragraph replace paragraphs [0001] and [0002] of the specification in the "CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION" section, on page 1. The changes to this paragraph do not add new matter:

[0001] This application is related to U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/733,838, entitled "E-COMMERCE BY CHECK", attorney docket number AUS920030905US1(4027), filed on the same day, the disclosure of which is incorporated herein in its entirety for all purposes.

[0002] This application is related to U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/733,837, entitled "E-CHECK AND E-COMMERCE", attorney docket number AUS920030906US1(4028), filed on the same day, the disclosure of which is incorporated herein in its entirety for all purposes.